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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Switzerland replies to the Boer appeal for mediation, regretting that it can take no action. —— Special masters have been appointed to take evidence in the S A. L. injunction proceedings. —— Lieut. Commander Schroeder will succeed Capt Leary as naval governor of the island of Guam. —— Boers report one man wounded in the skirmish with the British at Fourteen Streams. —— Boers at Aliwal North still hold a position on the Free State side. —— Dr. Hunter McGuire's condition is unchanged. —— The U. S. industrial commission left Atlanta for Memphis. —— War Department officials deny statements that Otis' campaign is costing upward of 1,000 men every month. —— An additional detachment of medical officers is to be sent to Manila. —— Cecil Rhodes has sailed from Cape Town for England. —— New York markets: Money on call steady, actual transactions were at 3@5 per cent., last loan at 3; cotton was quiet and steady, middling uplands 9 7/16c, flour was moderately active and barely steady; wheat—spot easier, No. 2 red 76½c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 43¼c; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 28½c; rosin quiet, strained common to good $1 47½; spirits turpentine dull at 56@56½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., March 21.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 41 degrees; 8 P. M., 45 degrees; maximum, 51 degrees; minimum, 41 degrees; mean, 46 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .0; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .96 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON March 21.—For North Carolina—Fair Thursday; Friday fair, warmer; fresh west to north winds.

Port Almanac---March 22.

Sun Rises	6 02 A. M.
Sun Sets	6 13 P. M
Day's Length	12 H 13 M
High Water at Southport.	11 33 A M.
High Water, Wilmington.	2.03 P. M.

The kid glove goes through the hands of 235 people before it goes on to the hand of one.

It was newspaper men who entered Bloemfontein first. Whenever there is a racket going on newspaper men are generally among the first to get there and the last to leave.

Lake Cobbosseecontee is one of the summer resorts in Maine. The symmetry of this resort is somewhat marred by the discrimination against the n's and t's, of which the compositor's font seems to have been short.

The feathers of the Chinese pheasant are in demand in Europe, and the consequence was great slaughter of the birds. But the Chinese government did the sensible thing when it prohibited the exportation of these feathers.

The Chicago *Times-Herald*, Republican, but opposed to the Porto Rican infamy, rises to remark that the present programme would drag down any party, however powerful. "Whom the gods would destroy," &c.

Chicago is striking out boldly for reform. Twenty young women, employed in the offices of the Civil Service Commission, will no longer be permitted to chew gum. But they haven't yet fulminated against the fellows who chew tobacco.

The latest from the Philippines is that Otis may have to call in his troops from his outposts and call for more volunteers. Pshaw! we thought that whole business was wound up several months ago, even before Otis made his big requisition for typewriters.

Secretary Root assured the Cubans that the U. S. Government would do the right thing by them. And then the Cubans wondered whether he was talking through his hat as Miles was he proclamated to the Porto Ricans and made such fine promises.

Hon. Mr. Fitzgerald, of Massachusetts, has introduced a resolution in Congress instructing the Attorney General to proceed against the Standard Oil Trust. The officials at Washington would as soon think of tackling greased lightning as that oily combine. There are too many millions in that for them to wrestle with.

There is a man in Georgia who should be immediately arrested and sent to the insane asylum, or to the Klondike, or South Africa, or some other remote, roomy region. He has been struck with the jackrabbit fever, and has ordered a car-load [illegible] Texas as a starter in the business of cultivating j. r's. A few years [illegible], with such a start as that, [illegible] would't be anything in Georgia but jackrabbits.

LOCAL DOTS.

— A very large and desirable lot at the north end of Wrightsville Beach running from the ocean to the channel, is offered for sale by Mr. W. M. Cumming, real estate agent.

— There was nothing doing in spirits turpentine yesterday and the receipts were only 4 casks. The cotton market was unchanged, with receipts of 560 bales, against 31 on the same day last season.

— A full attendance of Elks is requested at the regular meeting tonight of Wilmington Lodge, No. 532 It is probable that an election of officers will be held and other important business transacted.

— The Wilson *News* editorially endorses Superintendent John J. Blair, of the Wilmington Public Schools, as a suitable person to be placed on the Democratic ticket this year for State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

— Only two cases were heard in the municipal court yesterday. Jno. Anderson, a sailor, was fined $5 for drunkenness and disorderly conduct in "Brooklyn," and James Wilson, a white vagrant, was let off upon condition that he leave the city.

— License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Miss Mamie L Pridgen, of Caintuck township, Pender county, to Mr. Frank M. Brown, of Wilmington. The bride is a daughter of Mr. LaFayette Pridgen, and the groom is a son of Mr. W. J. Brown.

— The old fire cistern on Princess street, near Front, was yesterday pumped out by the boys of Engine Company No. 1, and it is probable that it will be filled in now that the water works are in operation. The old cistern has a capacity of 200 barrels and hasn't before been emptied in a number of years.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. Shrier—Spring shapes.
W. M. Cumming—For sale.
Opera House—Jolly Pathfinders.
People's P. B. L. Asso'n—Report.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

C. E Collins —Notice.

Fifth Ward Ticket.

The following tickets for delegates to the county convention and members of precinct executive committees in the Fifth Ward were yesterday furnished to the Secretary for presentation at the primaries to day:

Fourth Precinct—Delegates, B. R. King, S. G Watson. Executive committee, B. R. King, G. W. Millis, G. W. Bornemann, J. W. Knowles, S. G. Watson.

Third Precinct—Delegates, D. McEachern, R. E. Daniel, George Runge, J. M. McGowan, Theo. Swann. Executive committee, D. McEachern, R. E. Daniel, George Runge, J. M. McGowan, Theo. Swann.

The following "opposition" ticket has been prepared in the second precinct of the Fifth Ward—Delegates, J. F. Littleton, M. G. Tienken, J. E. Hewett, E. P. H Strunck, M. Marshburn, W. P. Gafford and T. G. Landen. Executive committee, J. W. Gafford, Fred Griffith, H. L Hewett, Wm. Tienken, Sr., and R. H. Brady.

Fire Alarms Yesterday.

The department responded to four alarms of fire yesterday and last night, but in none of the instances was the fire of any great consequence.

At 10.45 o'clock an alarm came in from box 34, and was caused by a small blaze in a one-story frame building, No. 316 North Sixth street, owned by Mr. John C. Heyer. The blaze caught from sparks from a chimney and the damage was slight.

A telephone alarm at 12.09 o'clock yesterday afternoon brought the department to a small building, No. 914 Sprunt's alley, owned by W. B McKoy, Esq., and occupied by Mary Herring, colored. Damage about $2 50.

An alarm at 1.19 o'clock was on account of another small blaze at No. 204 Castle street—a small dwelling house occupied by David Ellis. Damage about $2.50

A small fire in some rubbish at the stables at the S. P. Cowan Livery Company, on Second near Princess street, at 11.16 o'clock last night, summoned the department, but the flames were extinguished before the companies reached the scene. The damage was trifling.

Y. M. C. A. Entertainment.

The Ottumwa Quartette, which is to appear in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. next Monday evening, is said to be strong individually and in ensemble work, the latter being characterized by delicate shading, crisp intonation and organ-like tone. This company needs little introduction to the people of Wilmington, because of the association its lasso has had in our city. In conversation with some of the most prominent in musical circles here the management has been informed that they have bought season tickets because they saw the name of George H Iott in the list.

The box sheet will open Saturday morning at Yates' where single admission tickets may also be had.

Register of Deeds.

I ask the vote of the people of New Hanover county for the above office at coming primary.

2t A. L DeROSSET.

FOR SHERIFF,

FRANK H. STEDMAN.

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IN SPECIAL SESSION.

Board of Aldermen Authorized Princess and Market Street Paving Yesterday.

SALOONS WILL NOT CLOSE.

For the Primaries To-day According to Resolution Unanimously Adopted—Mr. T. H. Lasley, of Chattanooga, Here for Conference.

Plans for paving Princess street from Front to Second and Market from Front to Water, are daily nearing consummation; indeed, the decisive step toward this end was formally taken at a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen held yesterday afternoon at four o'clock. The Streets and Wharves Committee of the board, by virtue of authority vested in them at a previous meeting, had, however, already let the contract for the work, as noted in these columns several days ago, and it only remained for the Board of Aldermen to place the stamp of their formal approval upon the action by adopting an ordinance authorizing the committee to proceed with their plans, which was done in the following which was passed unanimously:

"Be it ordained by the Board of Aldermen, that a vitrified brick pavement be laid on Princess street, between curb stones, between Front and Second street, and on Market street, between curb stones, between Front and Water streets, and that under the charter and acts amendatory thereto and relating to this city, that the owners of property abutting on said streets be assessed each his or their proportionate part of the costs or damages of said pavements, as required by law and the provisions of the act of 1854-'55.

In an extended reference to the work several days ago, it was stated that the contract for the improvement had been let to the Tennessee Paving Brick Company, of Chattanooga, Tenn., and yesterday morning Mr. T. H. Lasley, manager of the contracting firm, arrived in the city to confer with City Engineer Jos. H. McRee and members of the Streets and Wharves Committee relative to the work undertaken. Mr. Lasley will remain in the city until the final details of the transaction are complete and it may be safely said that the paving will commence in two or three weeks at the most.

At the meeting yesterday afternoon Mayor Waddell presided, and those present were Aldermen Spencer, West, MacRae, Taylor, Hanby, Worth and Montgomery.

The only other matter of public interest disposed of at the meeting was the question of closing the bar rooms of the city during the hours of the primary to-day, as is the custom upon the occasion of regular elections.

On motion of Aldermen Taylor, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Board having met to take under consideration the advisability of closing the bar rooms on the occasion of the primary election to be held on the 22d instant, and the matter having been discussed in all of its bearings, it is the sense of this Board that there is no reason to apprehend any disturbance calling for action in the premises. That we believe that each and every white citizen is equally interested in maintaining good order, and that we can confidently rely upon the self governing instinct of our white people to discountenance and restrain any disorderly manifestations. That we have abiding faith in the stability of the work accomplished by the White Supremacy movement in this county two years ago.

Cutter Orders.

Revenue cutter orders have been issued from Washington, detaching Second Lieutenant F. J. Haake from the *Algonquin* and ordering him to a similar position on the cutter *Chase*. Second Lieutenant E. D. V. Johnson, of the *Chase*, has been transferred to the *Algonquin*. in place of Lieutenant Haake. Mr. Johnson, accompanied by his wife and her guest, Miss Noble, arrived several days ago from San Francisco and are guests of The Orton.

MILLIS FOR CONSTABLE.

The candidacy of George W. Millis for Constable of Wilmington Township appeals strongly to the better element of this community, to the people desiring a good, honest and straightforward administration of this office and to all interested in the security and stability of a peaceful community. George Millis is a Dry Pond boy, courageous, brave and discreet; endowed with good judgment, common sense and character. His bravery and daring have been strongly in evidence during his career as a deputy sheriff and on more than one occasion he has, unaccompanied, made several arrests where his life was in jeopardy.

He is a HARD WORKER, energetic and ingenious and should be NOMINATED FOR CONSTABLE. Cast your VOTE FOR HIM and thus BENEFIT YOURSELVES and the community at large. VOTER.

P. S.—The writer has conferred with Sheriff MacRae as to Mr. Millis' record as a deputy and he endorses the above statement.

To the Voters of Wilmington Township.

I see that some of the candidates for township constable are giving reference to certain gentlemen as to their standing and eligibility to the above office, and I desire to refer the entire community as to my capability of filling said office to Sheriff MacRae and the entire legal profession of the city. WM SHEEHAN SR.,
Constable for Wilmington Township.

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For House of Representatives,

E. H. FREEMAN.

FUNERAL OF CAPT. WARROCK

Held Yesterday Morning from First Presbyterian Church and Largely Attended—Beautiful Floral Tributes.

From the First Presbyterian Church yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, the funeral of the late Capt. William Stewart Warrock was conducted in the presence of a large number of his friends and acquaintances, who gathered to pay the last sad mark of respect to the memory of one who in life had endeared himself to them by his stalwart character and exemplary Christian life.

The services were by the Rev. Dr. Joseph R. Wilson, former pastor of the First church, and he paid a touching and beautiful tribute to the deceased, reviewing his life and dwelling upon those virtues peculiarly his own, which in after life will have a healthful and lasting effect upon those with whom he was associated in his daily walk and conversation. Dr. Wilson, in concluding, referred in a very tender and affectionate way to the personal relationship existing between himself and Capt. Warrock.

The funeral hymns, "Nearer My God to Thee," The Sands of Time are Sinking" and "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," were feelingly rendered by the church choir, composed of Mrs. W. L. Latta, Mrs. E. G. Woody, Mr. C. V. Motte and Mr. H. K. Holden. Prof. Jno. G. Russell was organist.

Noticeable among those present at the funeral services were quite a number of the members of Cape Fear Camp United Confederate Veterans and of the various fraternal and benevolent organizations to which Capt. Warrock belonged.

The pall bearers were composed of elders and deacons of the church as follows: Honorary, Col. John D. Taylor, Messrs. B. F. Hall, James Sprunt, B G. Worth and H. H. Munson; active, Messrs. S. Northrop, John McLaurin, H. C. McQueen, C. H Robinson, Capt. W. R. Kenan and Col. Walker Taylor.

The interment was made in Oakdale cemetery, and there were a large number of beautiful floral offerings, one of the prettiest of which was a large standing wreath of sago palm leaves interwoven with purple hyacinths and violets, which was laid upon the casket as an offering from the employes of the mechanical department of THE MORNING STAR, whose intimate association with the deceased had grown into a friendship and love which found only a faint expression in the beautiful offering presented in token of their especially high esteem.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. T. G. McNair, of Laurel Hill, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. W. F. English, of Mount Olive, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. A. B. Skelding returned yesterday morning from a trip North.

— Mr. G. R. LeRoy, a popular travelling man of Norfolk, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. D. T. Robinson, of Delta, Sampson county, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

— Mr. L. H. Nixon, of Charlotte, was among yesterday's registrations at The Orton.

— Mr. T. W. Snell, of Windsor, N. C., was among last evening's registrations at The Orton.

— State Senator J. W. S. Robinson, of Sampson, was among yesterday's visitors to the city.

— Mr. Eugene Williams, of Sanford, representing the Cole Printing Company, is in the city on a business trip.

— Contractor J. C. Stout was here yesterday from Rocky Mount on his way to Fair Bluff, Columbus county.

— Col. Hugh Waddell and wife of Washington, D. C., arrived in the city yesterday, and are the guests of Col. A. M. Waddell.

— Judge Henry R. Bryan, of Newbern, was in the city yesterday, returning from Southport, where he has been holding Superior Court.

— Mr. H. E. Wells, of Columbia, and vice president of the N. C. Cotton Oil Company of this city, is in the city on one of his usual visits to the mill.

— Mr. G. H. Gray, of Regan, Brunswick county, was among yesterday's visitors to the city and the STAR office acknowledges the pleasure of a call from him.

— Miss Minnie Ortmann, of Charleston, has returned to her home after a pleasant visit of several weeks to the family of her uncle, Capt. F. W. Ortmann, on Fifth street.

Passenger Agents Here.

Mr. F. T. Walker, Travelling Passenger Agent of the C. & O. R. R., and Mr. George E Armstrong, Travelling Fassenger of the Southern Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, arrived in the city yesterday on business connected with their railway systems. Mr. Armstrong left in the afternoon for points in Florida and Mr. Walker is still in the city.

Stedman for Sheriff.

There are three candidates and to-day we must choose. Who shall it be?

You have probably heard the old story of the fellow who was about to die and being despaired of sent for the doctor of divinity. The doctor asked him: Do you repent of your sins? Yes. Do you renounce the devil and all his works? Hold on, doctor; this ain't no time to make enemies. We denounce nobody. The Democratic party must stand together regardless of who is elected Sheriff or to any other office. We make no personal criticism of any of the three. We do not wish to write an anonymous letter, slandering, lying and endeavoring to deceive the public by making false accusations against any candidate. If we have aught to say against any candidate for any office we shall say it openly, not by innuendo, by using insinuation. If we know of any reason why any candidates should not be elected we shall say so not anonymously. Fortunately, we are in a civilized community where there is sufficient intelligence to know how much weight to give to such. They need no denial; they are on their face unworthy of notice.

The question is who is the man for Sheriff. This is no charitable donation that is being disposed of. Some seem, indeed to think so and are endeavoring to illustrate that "Charity begins at home." It almost seems that the old days of Aristocracy have returned when families ruled and the voice of the people was not considered. When offices descended as property. Is this what we are coming to? Is Democracy no longer our form of government? Yes, Charity begins at home, but the Sheriff's office is no gift of charity.

If we were to board a ship—would we be satisfied if we knew that the Pilot, the Captain or the Engineer were untried, untrained men for their positions, be they personally what they may. No, nor do we wish our Ship of State to be put in the hands of untrained men merely because their kith and kin are in office. We want the tried, the experienced and the capable man for Sheriff.

Stedman has been tried and proved that he was worthy. An honest, faithful, capable Sheriff and man. His enemies attack him slanderously, but can't deny that he made a good Sheriff. They ask you now to vote against him and to give the office to some one else because that other hasn't held it before. To surrender your right of Democracy and choosing the right man and to place all the offices in the hands of this new formed Aristocracy.

Rally Democrats and preserve Democracy.

Stedman's tickets at the polls. 1t† DEMOCRATS.

Biddle for Register.

The office of Register of Deeds is unquestionably an important one and one which involves great carefulness, skill and sobriety, and it is therefore, with these elements in mind, a duty which each citizen owes to himself and his community to cast his vote for the man who most thoroughly possesses these qualifications. W. H. Biddle's career in the Register's office has been characterized by these qualities. The citizen has little to do with the records, save that he wishes them kept properly, but it is the lawyer who has to battle with errors, mistakes and incompetency and under Mr. Biddle's administration (so favorably in contrast to that of former Registrar's), hardly a day passes but that some attorney comments on the clear, accurate and careful manner in which the records are kept.

Therefore it is a duty as well as a privilege to nominate Mr. Biddle for re-election; not only as a reward for services well done, but as a benefit to the people, insuring for ourselves and posterity well kept records for New Hanover county. 2t† LAWYER.

Frank Stedman.

That he is not perfect his friends are willing to admit.

That the rewards he has received, he did not receive without personal bravery, daring and risk, which no one else then saw fit to undertake; and that he has not been over rewarded for such service, and in serving with integrity and ability at a former time in the office he now seeks, his friends contend.

That in various articles in the papers recently, attempts have been made, under cover of "printers ink," to defame, belittle and bemean his candidacy and his claims, evidently hoping to prejudice public opinion against him by sarcasm and malice, his friends have seen.

That these articles have been without foundation, and have been cloaked in such manner that they could not be replied to, and that they have been unmanly, unfair and wide of the mark of true Democracy, his friends declare.

That you will give him your support for having remained dignified through all of these attacks, and for his having been always true to his friends, both high and low, true to his party and just to his opponents his friends ask. 2t†

A Family Affair.

Jokes, even when their publication is paid for out of the "campaign fund," at advertising rates, may be amusing to their authors; but the SERIOUS QUESTION for the people of New Hanover to consider, before casting their votes in the primary election, is whether or not the HIGHEST AND MOST LUCRATIVE OFFICES of the county are to be parcelled out AMONG THE MEMBERS OF ONE FAMILY. That is the issue. 2t†

For County Treasurer,

H. McL. GREEN

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FOR SHERIFF,

OWEN FENNELL

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PRIMARIES TO-DAY.

When to Vote and Where to Vote for the Various Candidates.

POLLS OPEN AT 8 O'CLOCK.

Only One Precinct in Each Ward or Township Except in Harnett—Country Precincts Open at 9 A. M. and Close at 4 P. M.

The Democratic primaries, which will be held to day in the various wards in the city and townships in the county, are for the purpose of nominating candidates for Sheriff, Register of Deeds, County Treasurer, Coroner, County Surveyor, Constable and two members of the House of Representatives, Senator for New Hanover and Brunswick counties, five executive committeemen for each precinct, and delegates to the county convention, which will be held Saturday, March 31st, 1900, in the Court House, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State and District Conventions and for the purpose of ratifying the action of the primaries.

Polls in the city will open at 8 o'clock this morning and close at 7 o'clock this evening; in the country precincts, at 9 o'clock this morning, closing at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

It will be well for voters to bear in mind that there is only one voting precinct in each ward in the city, and they have been designated as follows:

First Ward—Genaust's Store, near Fourth street bridge.

Second Ward—Old Court House, on Princess street.

Third Ward—Giblem Lodge, corner of Eighth and Princess streets.

Fourth Ward—Worth's Ice Depot, Dock street between Front and Water.

Fifth Ward—Fifth Ward Hook and Ladder House, corner of Fifth and Castle streets.

Cape Fear Township — Blossom's Store, at Castle Haynes.

Harnett Township — Township House.

Delgado Mills (Harnett Township)—Delgado Mills Store.

Masonboro Township — Township House.

Federal Point Township—Biddle's Store.

Returns will be made to-night to the County Executive Committee at the Court House, and in case of the necessity for a second primary to determine a choice, said primary will be held Tuesday, March 27th.

Local Shipping Notes.

The Clyde steamship *Oneida*, Captain Staples, passed out from Southport at 8 45 o'clock yesterday morning for her Georgetown trip.

The schooner *Wm. F. Campbell*, Captain Strout, is in at Southport from Barbadoes for orders. She will probably come up to the city to day, and will be consigned to Messrs. J. T. Riley & Co.

The British steamship *Yearby*, Capt. A. H. Goldsworthy, cleared yesterday afternoon for Bremen with a cargo of 9,800 bales of cotton, valued at $474,911, from Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son. The next cotton steamer expected in port is the *Skuld*, of the Sprunt Line, which has already sailed for Wilmington.

THE ELECTION TO-DAY.

The election to-day will be the most important and far reaching in its consequences that we have had for a quarter of a century. For the first time since the war the people are to decide freely and without passion what shall be the character of their government. There is no intimidation, no desire to begin a crusade against any interest or business whatever. There is no question of class against class, and no alien element dominating and threatening the public welfare. Remember, then, that you are to choose *servants*, who must attend solely to your public business; not *masters* to dictate to and rule over you. See that they are sober, capable and of good character.

Apply the same rule which a good business man would in the selection of his bookkeeper, his cashier, his shipping clerk or his drayman.

You do not hire them to make political combinations, to scheme for selfish ends, or to promise jobs which must be improvised at your expense. All the offices belong to *you*. They were created by you to promote economy, honesty and strict fair-dealing in the conduct of your affairs. It would seem easy to decide in a case like this; but unfortunately the people have suffered much from government by spoilsmen and place hunters; and, although some effort has been made to put down the rule of men who have forgotten that they were the people's servants, and have aspired to be bosses, yet some of the old leaven of partisanship and ring rule is left, and it is of the last importance that you should now destroy it forever.

Think carefully before voting, and vote for the best interests of the whole community. Sometimes the triumph of one man means the loss of all men.

There is now no reason why prejudices and passions should dictate; therefore you may well afford to follow reason.

Remember that any and all of these offices may be greatly abused, if given to men seeking their own ends rather than the public good. The Sheriff's office, especially, is one of the most powerful engines for good or bad government in the gift of the people. The greater its emoluments, the more harm it is capable of doing, and any man bent on selfish profit can double its receipts without going outside of legal methods. Select strong, brave, true men for this and every other office.

Respectfully,

1t† WALTER G. MacRAE.

For House of Representatives,

BROOKE G. EMPIE

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CHURCH ENTERTAINMENT TO-NIGHT.

Literary Society of Fifth Street Church Prepared Interesting Programme.

The first of the series of entertainments to be given by the newly organized literary society of Fifth Street Methodist Church for the benefit of the general church fund, is announced for this evening 8 at o'clock in the lecture room of the building.

The following interesting programme has been arranged for the occasion:

Selection by the Mandolin Club.
Reading by Miss Mamie Batson.
Trio, Evening Hour: Miss Gillican, first violin; Mr. J. L. Donnelly, second violin; Miss Lavinia Gillican, piano.
Piano solo, by Mrs. Mattie Chasten, Rubenstein melodies in F.
Male quartette, selected, J. W. Fleet, first tenor; O A. Wiggins, Jr., second tenor; J. S. Williams, first basso; R. G. Rankin, Jr., second basso.
Vocal solo, selected, Miss Mamie Batson; Mrs. Annie Bowen, accompanist.
Trio, Spring Song (Mendelsohn), Miss Gillican, first violin; Mr. J. L. Donnelly, second violin; Mr. E. R. Roby, piano.
Selection by the Mandolin Club.

After the exercises at the church, refreshments will be served at the residence of Mrs J. J. LeGwin, adjoining, and attendants upon the musicale are invited to be present.

"THE THREE MUSKETEERS."

Played to Good Audience at the Opera House Last Evening.

The Salvini version of Dumas' "Three Musketeers" was successfully rendered last night by the Rentfrow Company. The production was a decided success and appealed strongly to the large audience present. The costuming and general effect were excellent and thoroughly accorded with the period the play represented.

The novel allows great opportunity for histrionic display and the situation was successfully commanded by Mr. Frederick Herzog in the role of *D'Artagan*. His acting, demeanor and general conduct was of a very high order.

May Walters as *Lady de Winter* was in excellent condition and pleased the audience by her capable acting. The company is a good one and deserves a large patronage.

Michael Strogoff, a Russian frontier drama of much merit will be produced to-night.

"S. A. L. Arbor Day."

Yesterday was generally observed at stations along the Seaboard Air Line railway system as "Arbor Day." At many of the stations only simple exercises marked the celebration, but in other instances the people for miles around, as is usually their custom, gathered at their nearest station and spent the day at pic-nicing and planting trees and shrubbery about the streets. The custom was inaugurated several years ago by Mr. Jno. T. Patrick, the Chief Industrial Agent of the company, and has become a source of pleasure and profit to residents along the line.

A Caswell Deserter.

Sergeants W. P. Osevill, A. Hamper and Private Cornelius Cullinan, of Fort Caswell, were in the city yesterday returning from Fort Monroe where they had been to escort deserter Vicks and give testimony against him in the court martial trial. Vicks ran away from the fort several months ago and after an absence of three weeks return and gave himself up. An offence of this kind is punishable by an imprisonment of one year on Governor's Island.

Firemen's Tournament.

"Politics have overshadowed the firemen's tournament for the time being," said Chief Schnibben yesterday, "but we hope to get things in shape after the primaries, and the committees will then get down to active work. The executive committee is quietly considering plans and arrangements for the great event and the transportation committee is confident of a reasonable rate from the railroads. The prospects are bright," he added, "and the event will come off in great shape."

The New Dyeing Plant.

Mr. H. M. Chase who is principally interested in the new dyeing establishment which has been recently installed in the old Industrial Manufacturing Company's building on Surry street, says that he hopes to begin operations in a small way about April 1st. There is yet quite a lot of machinery to arrive and the plant will not be in full operation for some time yet.

IREDELL MEARES FOR STATE SENATOR

The friends of Mr. Iredell Meares present his name to the Democratic primary for the nomination for State Senator from this district. Mr. Meares has been true to his party, true to his community, and in public and private life, has given freely of his time and talents to advance the best interests of this community.

He has been an active party worker for years, and worked untiringly in the last campaign, serving the party and the cause of New Hanover by day and by night, and merits the compliment of a handsome majority at the hands of the people.

He is eminently fitted to represent this district, and would in the Senate reflect credit upon this city, county and State.

† tf DEMOCRATS.

For State Senator,

GEORGE L. MORTON.

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PRETTY HOME WEDDING.

Miss Ellis Happily Wedded to Mr. Richard S. Haddock Last Evening.

Last evening at 8.30 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David C. Ellis, corner of Second and Castle streets, Miss Mary J. Ellis was happily united in marriage to Mr. Richard S Haddock, a son of Mr. James H. Haddock and one of the popular conductors of the Wilmington Street Railway.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Jno. H. Hall, pastor of Fifth Street M E Church, in the presence of quite a large number of friends of the contracting parties, and after the ceremony a reception was given the bridal party at the home of the groom, on Second street, between Church and Castle.

The parlor of Miss Ellis' home was prettily decorated, and quite a number of handsome presents were received.

—Dr. P. L. Murphy, superintendent of the State Hospital at Morganton, is in the city for a brief visit. Dr. Murphy is well known in Wilmington, having once been a resident of the "City by the Sea," and is being cordially received by his old-time acquaintances.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

New Millinery Parlor

Will open Thursday, March 22.

No. 120 Market street.

mar 19 1m MISS ANNIE STROUPE.

FOR SALE.

A VERY LARGE AND VERY DESIRABLE LOT AT THE NORTH END OF

Wrightsville Beach

RUNNING FROM OCEAN TO CHANNEL.

W. M. CUMMING,

REAL ESTATE AGENT AND NOTARY PUBLIC.

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OPERA HOUSE

ONE WEEK COMMENCING Monday, March 19

Matinees Wednesday and Saturday.

Rentfrow's Big Comedy Co.,

THE JOLLY PATHFINDERS

Band and Orchestra.

—TO-NIGHT—

A Beautiful Production of The Russian Frontier Play,

MICHAEL STROGOFF.

10 20 and 30 cents.

Seats on sale at "Munds' Temple Pharmacy." $30.00 in Gold Given Away Saturday Night.

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ANNUAL REPORT

To the North Carolina Corporation Commission

OF THE PEOPLE'S PERPETUAL BUILDing and Loan Association of Wilmington, N. C., for the year ending December 31, 1899.

ASSETS.

Loans on Bond and Mortgage (face value)	$ 2,401 69
Loans on other securities	479 90
Real estate	15 66
Cash on hand and in bank	22 53
Furniture and fixtures	50 00
Instalments due and unpaid	567 63
Other assets, in detail,	
Insurance advanced	2 40
Matured series, uncollected dues, interest	204 81
One and two series	9 39
Four series	6 76
Interest four series	
	$ 3,848 10

LIABILITIES.

Due shareholders, due installments paid	$ 2,771 80
Due shareholders, instalments paid in advance	38 75
Due shareholders, earnings not credited	334 91
Other liabilities in detail, viz.:	
Bills payable	182 84
Matured series: First, second, fourth	380 00
	$ 3818 10

Report for the Year Ending December 31, 1899.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand January 1, 1899	$ 196 86
Subscriptions on shares	700 00
Mortgages redeemed (in whole or in part)	1,127 00
Other loans redeemed	608 75
Interest received	70 58
Other receipts in detail, viz:	
Withdrawal fees	2 25
Sale of property	125 00
Loans	150 00
	$ 2,982 44

DISBURSEMENTS.

Loaned on other securities	375 00
Paid on withdrawals, dues	1,301 00
Paid on withdrawals, dividends	103 87
Salaries	100 00
Advertising and printing	1 00
Rent	15 00
Other disbursements, in detail:	
Bills payable	220 00
Notes	180 00
Attorneys' fees and commissions	80 00
Insurance advanced	11 05
Cash on hand	22 52
	$ 2,982 44

Amount of authorized capital	$ 100 000
Number of shares sold during the year	None
Number shares cancelled and withdrawn during the year	58
Number of shares in force at the end of the year	59

In conformity with law, I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the sworn statement of the People's Perpetual Building and Loan Association, on December 31st, 1899, now on file in the office of the North Carolina Corporation Commission.

This the 6th day of March, 1900.

FRANKLIN McNEILL, Chairman.
H. C. BROWN, Clerk. mar 22 1t

Vollers & Hashagen.

We have unsurpassed facilities for handling business at Lowest Prices.

WE OFFER ON SPOT

1,800 Bags Prime Mixed Corn,
1,000 Bales No. 1 Timothy Hay.

Prices are right and we solicit orders.

WE ARE THE AGENTS HERE FOR

J. P. SQUIRE'S CHOICE BELLIES,

Which have no equal on any market. We have sold these goods for many years, and notwithstanding statements to the contrary, you can always find them in our stock.

Vollers & Hashagen,

PROVISIONERS.

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MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon	1 6:25 a. m.	Full Moon	16	2:12 a. m.	
First Quarter	8 0:34 a. m.	Third Quarter	24	0:36 a. m.	
New Moon	30 3:30 p. m.				

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 22.

A HINT FROM MANCHESTER.

The indications point to an increased acreage of cotton throughout the South this year, an increase which with favorable seasons will probably give a 12,000,000 bale crop, and this in spite of all the warnings by the Southern press, by leading Southern cotton growers, and by others who are not cotton growers but are interested in the cotton crop. In all our reading we do not remember to have seen but two advices to the contrary, one by Mr. Inman, of Georgia, and the other by a writer in South Carolina whose name we have forgotten, both of whom advised the farmers to raise all the cotton they can, the reason assigned being that the planters generally are going to do that, and therefore those that don't, and raise but little cotton, will have but little money, for with the inevitable low price of cotton it will be necessary to raise a good deal to get any money out of it. This isn't presisely what they say but this is presisely what they mean.

If all the farmers in the South followed their advice cotton would not bring three cents a pound next November, and the indications are that entirely too many of them propose to follow on that line, whether they have read this advice or not, and raise all the cotton they can, hoping to get as good prices as they did this year and blindly taking the chances on prices that will not pay the guano bills and for the labor done in making the crop. The market reports a few days ago contained the following:

"Manchester was not so good because of the heavy discount on the prospect of a large crop next season."

The Macon *Telegraph*, which like many other papers in Georgia and in other States, have been warning the farmers of that State against an increase of acreage, makes this brief but significant statement the text of the following pertinent editorial:

"This sentence contains a whole sermon to those cotton growers who, under the influence of existing high prices for cotton, are apparently disposed to plant very largely of the staple this year and by the virtue of high priced commercial fertilizers to make the crop of 1900-01 a record breaker.

"The object of the planter is not to raise the greatest possible amount of cotton on his place, but to raise the quantity which will bring him in the greatest net return for his labor and expenditure. If this is the fact he should bear in mind that statistics show that a 10,000,000-bale crop in the present state of the consumptive demand is the most profitable crop that can be raised. When the figures in bales go above that figure, the return in dollars goes as steadily downward.

"The result is always the same—a big crop, little money, a small crop, big money.

"Under these conditions these is one, sensible course for the cotton planter to follow: Raise every grain of corn needed on his place, and if he makes a little surplus to sell his less thrifty neighbor or his fellow citizen of the towns who has to buy, no harm will be done; so lay his plans as to kill and cure all the meat he needs, and here, too, a surplus might prove profitable; set aside land enough to pasture his dairy herd and his bunch of beef cattle, and to provide winter forage for them; and then he should feel at full liberty to plant every acre in cotton that he can cultivate, gather and market. If this plan should be pursued by every farmer in the cotton belt the cotton planters would hold the world in their grasp. They could market their cotton when it was most profitable for them to do so and would receive prices for it that would pay them a reasonable profit for the raising of it."

It is a singular thing that with the experience the planters of the South have had for some years in growing cotton, and the opportunities they have had to study the effect of large and small crops on the prices paid, they would need any counsel on the subject of cotton growing, or any warnings to keep out of the rut in which they had travelled for so many years to their sorrow and to the ruin of so many. In this case the adage about the burned child dreading the fire doesn't seem to hold good.

If any cotton grower were asked why it is that the prices received for the last crop marketed have been so much better than the prices received for many years previous he would at once say it was because the crop was smaller than it has been for the past few years, which, in connection with the smaller crops in other cotton-growing countries, brought the cotton crop in sight within the world's demand for consumption, and consequently put prices up. There isn't a planter of ordinary intelligence anywhere in this country who does not know that, and he knows, too, or should know, that these prices will prevail just as long as these conditions obtain and not a month longer. A crop in excess of consumption just as surely means a toppling of prices as taking away the supports from a pole that is not planted in the earth will cause its fall. The prices of cotton, like the prices of everything else, are governed by the quantity produced. If that be more than is needed for the world's mills the prices will go down; if less, the prices will go up.

The mills of the world need for the world's consumption at the present time about 14,000,000 bales, of which about 4,000,000 are grown in other countries than this. To keep prices anywhere at a reasonable figure the world's crop must be under 14,000,000 bales. If it goes over that the millers feel easy about their supplies. They will be in no hurry to put in stocks and will feel their way and be very cautious in the prices they offer, for they know the growers of this cotton cannot as a rule afford to hold it, and therefore they have no fears of not being able to get all they want. This is business. The man who is sure of being able to get what he wants at any time is never in a hurry to get it, never hurries to lay in a large supply when the prices are more apt to go down than up, never hurries to put prices up but buys as low as he can and only in such lots as he needs, thus holding his money in hand and himself in a position to take all the advantage of the markets.

If the planters who grow the cotton showed the same discretion and judgment and business tact as the millers who spin and weave it, there would be few overcrops, except, perhaps, in seasons when nature was unexpectedly propitious. Each one would act for himself and regulate his own acreage on business principles just as the millers regulate their buying by the marketable crop. It is useless to expect anything like concert of action among so many planters, inhabiting such a large area.

As this can't be had then every farmer should act for himself and knowing as he does that the prices he will get will depend on the aggregate crop produced, so plant and so regulate his acreage as to keep that aggregate down to a figure that will be somewhere in the neighborhood of the world's demand for consumption. With a crop anywhere under the 10,000,000 bales, allowing for the 4,000,000 produced in other countries, the Southern cotton grower will be safe. With a crop anywhere over 10,000,000 bales he will not be, and the more it goes over 10,000,000 bales the worse off he will be.

THINGS THAT WE CAN'T DO.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, is an expansionist. He believes in holding on to all we have a grip on, although he differs somewhat from the Republican expansionists as to the manner in which we shall hold our grip. In speaking on the Porto Rican question, Tuesday, he said the Paris treaty was the supreme law that bound us as to our new acquisitions. Speaking of Cuba, he said: "That treaty requires us to occupy the island. We cannot abandon Cuba without disgrace and without violating our pledged faith to Spain. Nor can we abandon Porto Rico nor the Philippines without inviting anarchy and internecine war." He then declared that Congress should provide schemes of government for them. Whether he meant to include Cuba with Porto Rico and the Philippines is not clear, although this is the logical sequence of his remarks.

The word "abandon" means a good deal, and we do not know that anybody proposes to abandon Cuba, Porto Rico, the Philippines or even the Sulus, with which we acquire both polygamy and slavery. But if we can't abandon them without "disgrace and violating our pledged faith to Spain," neither can we indefinitely occupy Cuba without violating our faith pledged to the Cubans and to the world; neither can we continue to occupy Porto Rico without giving her all that General Miles promised her without disgrace and violating our pledge to her, and neither can we indefinitely occupy the Philippines and treat the Filipinos as if they had no rights in the premises without violating the pledge implied when we declared our purposes at the outbreak of the war. We are as much bound to keep our faith with the people of these respective islands and the world, as we are to keep faith with Spain. No amount of afterthought or special pleading or word-splitting or twisting can wipe that out or relieve us from keeping pledges made prior to the treaty with Spain.

No Right To Ugliness.

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always find friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good-looking, charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.
The Kind You Have Always Bought

A STATEMENT OF FACT.

Hon. Marion Butler continues to receive reminders from Populists who object to wearing his collar on their necks or his ring in their noses, and to obeying his command to oppose and vote against the proposed constitutional amendment, the object of which is to make white supremacy permanent in North Carolina. We have published several letters from such Populists and herewith present another from Mr. Adam Clark Wentz, of Roper, Washington county, which we find in the Roanoke *Beacon*, in which he thus declares for white supremacy:

DEAR SIR:—Complying with your request for a statement of my political position, and my views as to the proposed Constitutional Amendment; I desire to say that, while I never have been an active politician, I have been a zealous Populist ever since the party came into existence. But now the Populist party has fallen to pieces of its own weight.

In fact disintegration has been steadily going on in the party ever since the notorius untrustworthy seventeen in the legislature four years ago, sold out the party to the Republicans for a few offices.

Since that time, the leaders seem only to have sought an opportunity to advance their own selfish purposes, regardless of party policy, or party interests. Such a course naturally destroyed all confidence in them, and left the old ship without a pilot.

And inasmuch as the Democrats advocate all the reforms that the Populist stood for, and the chances of securing these reforms seem much better in that direction, I shall therefore vote with the Democrats in the coming election.

I can see no reason why a white man should not support the proposed amendment to the State Constitution.

Confining myself to a plain statement of a fact, its object, and its only object, is to get rid of a goodly number of ignorant negroes at the polls. In my humble opinion the sooner this is done the better for all concerned.

And it will be done. So mote it be.

ADAM CLARK WENTZ

Roper, N. C. March 14, 1900.

There are thousands of Populists like Mr. Wentz who view this question just as he does, who do not believe that party fealty requires them to obey the dictates of Marion Butler and other unprincipled schemers by antagonizing their own race and standing in with the negroes and leaders of negroes, to enable Butler and those conspiring with him to hold their grip and continue to enjoy the emoluments of office, and therefore they will stand with the white men in this grand fight for the permanent establishment of white supremacy, on which their future prosperity and peace and the prosperity of the State depend. This is true of all the State but more especially of the Eastern portion of it, where we have had a taste of negro domination.

According to the latest reports from the agencies there are now in this country 297,505 Indians, 95,679 of whom wear "civilized" dress, and 31,923 a combination of civilized and Indian. The remainder probably don't wear anything. There are 42,957 who can read, and 53,314 who can talk English enough to hold an ordinary chat.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— There is nothing surprising in the discovery of a plot to restore the monarchy in Brazil. The monarchy was overthrown as the result of a plot to establish an oligarchy under the name of a republic.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

—— It is reported that England will send Cronje and his 4,000 stout-hearted fighters to St. Helena. This is a pertinent instance of the softening influence of imperialism on national character. We are prepared to follow England in this, as in the rest of the program. Guam will make an excellent St. Helena.—*Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, Dem.*

—— The effort of Rev. Charles M. Sheldon to conduct the (Kan.) Daily Capital for a week, as our Savior would conduct a newspaper, is about the most all-round sacrilegious performance that ever disgraced this country. For any man to claim to know what would be the course of Jesus in carrying on any business is to claim Divine knowledge and equality with the Savior.—*Richmond Dispatch, Dem.*

—— The extensive work of fortification being done by the British at Esquimault, on the Pacific, which will command the approach to Puget Sound and the American cities of Portland, Tacoma, Seattle and Port Townsend, is in strange contrast to the efforts being made to prevent the fortification of the proposed Nicaragua Canal by the United States.—*New Orleans Times—Democrat, Dem.*

His Life Was Saved.

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected soon to die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvellous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular size 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store; every bottle guaranteed. †

For Over Fifty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Washington *Gazette*: We regret to hear of the sudden death of Rev. L. O. Wyche, the Methodist minister in charge of Core Sound mission, which occurred on the 13th inst.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Much complaint is being made about the present oat crop. In some sections it will be almost a complete failure owing to the severe freezes during the winter. Much of the ground that was sowed in oats last fall will probably be planted in cotton.

Charlotte *Observer*: Mrs. Eliza Millan died Sunday morning at her home on 516 South College street, after an illness of many years. She was 87 years old. —— Rev. O. C. Horton, a Baptist minister of West Durham, in charge of three churches, dropped dead Saturday evening in Piney Grove church at the close of his sermon. Mr. Horton was between 50 and 60 years of age.

— Durham *Herald*: It was reported on the streets last night, and from what we are able to learn it is true, that an old demente negro man by the name of Anderson escaped from the county home last Thursday night during the storm and perished from the cold. He made his escape between dark and 9 o'clock, and was seen but once after he left the house until found.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Mrs. Louisa Virginia Holden, widow of late Governor William W. Holden, died suddenly of heart failure Tuesday morning about ten o'clock at her residence in this city, corner of Hargett and McDowell streets. Mrs. Holden arose in her usual health, and the end came suddenly without warning. —— The citizens of Southern Pines were startled by a terrible explosion Monday morning about 9:30, the boiler at I. F. Chandler's Crate Factory exploding, killing Bob Taylor and fearfully mangling John Monroe. Angers Kelly was also struck and badly, though not seriously, wounded. Two buildings were terribly wrecked, and the money loss will amount to considerable. —— Dr. E. H. Hornady, of Willow Greene, one of the leading physicians and one of Greene's best citizens, died at his home Tuesday morning. His death was sudden.

TWINKLINGS.

— Tatters—"Say, wot's a 'cosmopolitan?'" Hesben—"Well, that's the name they give to a kind of wealthy hobo."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Caddy—"Dere's only one good thing I can see in playin' golf" Golfer—"What's that?" Caddy—"De folks what play don't have to carry de sticks."—*Tit Bits.*

— "Has he got a yacht?" "No, but he has a revenue cutter that's a regular clipper." "You don't say!" "Yes. The scissors he cuts his coupons with."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— His Wife—If you can stop reading about the Boer war for a few minutes, I have something to tell you about the cook." The Suburbanite—Yes? Is she going to trek?"—*Puck*

— A Cautious Helpmeet: Station Master—"What have you got there, Deacon? A petition to the Legislature?" Deacon Whiffletree—"Oh, no; this is simply a list of the plays my wife wants me to keep away from while I'm in New York."—*Puck.*

— One or the Other—"Doctor, what ails my daughter?" "Before I answer that question, let me ask if you have reason to think she has had a love disappointment of any kind?" "I know she has not." "Then, madam, your daughter has the grip."—*Chicago Tribune*

— Mr. Dukane—"After Mafeking is relieved, the garrison will be in a position to appreciate some of the feelings of Americans two years ago." Mr. Gaswell—"How so?" "They are eating horse at Mafeking, you know." "Well?" "Well, they will remember the same."—*Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.*

— Reciprocity: Mr. Dinwiddie—"The United States may act as intermediary to restore peace between Great Britain and the Boers." Mr. Van Braam—"Then perhaps we could induce Queen Victoria or President Kruger to mediate in the Kentucky conflict."—*Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.*

THE BOER SPY SYSTEM.

How Kruger Kept Posted on the Plans of the English.

No one ever denied that Oom Paul, president of the South African Republic, was an astute old statesman. Time and again he has beaten our British cousins in diplomacy and has proved his worth as a diplomatist.

At the time of the Jameson raid it caused Dr. Jameson and his associates considerable surprise that their plans were known to the Boers almost as soon as they were conceived. The British were met, fought and defeated by an ambushed body of men almost at the very beginning of their attack, and it was believed at the time that one of their number had turned traitor and given the plans to the Boers, but now the secret is known.

The old warrior enlisted the services of the barmaids of Johannesburg in the political service. Through them he learned that new men were being enlisted in the Cape police and that new guns were being shipped, week after week, from England. Through the same source he was informed of the attempts that were being made by English politicians to force the hands of the government of the Orange Free State in case war should be declared by the British government against his country. The Englishmen babbled all this over their cups, and the barmaids' winning smiles and bright eyes never gave them the suspicion that they were telling stories of vital importance.

No sooner had the pretty barmaids enticed from the sturdy colonists their important secrets than Oom Paul was informed. The old statesman knew how to parry blow with blow. To the amazement of the British, no sooner had they increased their force of available fighters by means of secret enlistment than they were informed that Oom Paul had enlisted a still larger number of weapons of still better manufacture. By means of always being forewarned Kruger warded off war.

A Bloomers Champion.

One of the original champions of bloomers, Miss Susan Fowler of Vineland, N. J., still wears a mannish dress, which, she says, well fits her occupation. She works her own patch of farm, even to the plowing, at the age of 75 years. Miss Fowler's singularity in dress has not prevented her from receiving many offers of marriage, but the right man never came along.

"I am not opposed to matrimony," she says, "and I am not living single from choice, for if I had a chance to marry my ideal man I would do so."

Her latest offer was from a retired western farmer 20 years her junior, but she ended the courtship by offering to be a mother to him.

"No," said she, "the dress has not been a serious obstacle to offers of marriage, because, if a man was sufficiently attracted to marry me, he would not be driven away by dress, hoping and expecting that he could induce me to abandon it afterward."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

A PAIR OF BIG FEET.

They Brought War to France and Changed the Map of Europe.

The Princess Bismarck changed the political history of France unwittingly, and but for her the Franco-Prussian war might never have been waged.

Bismarck was unfriendly to France, but the Empress Eugenie hoped with her beauty to influence him so that the little trouble with France and Germany might be smoothed over. She therefore invited the German prince and his wife to visit the court of France, and the Prince and Princess Bismarck arrived in great state at the Tuileries.

That evening there was a grand reception, and Eugenie received the guests in a gown which made her so ravishingly lovely that even Prince Bismarck, German, stolid and in love with his wife, stood and gazed upon her with admiration. And Eugenie was not slow to observe the effect of her beauty upon him. She called him to her side, and Bismarck came with his wife upon his arm.

Now, the Princess Bismarck was tall and gaunt and ugly, and her feet were generous. As she walked she showed a great deal of sole.

While Bismarck stood talking with Eugenie an audible titter was heard along the line of ladies. Bismarck, who was quick as a flash, followed the glance of their eyes and saw them rest upon the feet of his wife.

That settled the matter. The political history of France was altered from that moment.

A year later, when Paris was besieged, Bismarck himself fired a cannon over the ramparts, and those who were near him heard him shout:

"Take that for the feet of the Princess Bismarck!"

The slight was avenged.

Had Her Doubts.

"I don't believe professors know so very much," said Mamie.

"Why! How can you talk so?" rejoined Maud.

"Well, I don't see why Mr. Fulpate should have seemed so surprised and puzzled when I asked him how to say 'rubberneck' in Greek."—Washington Star.

Willing to Please.

"I won't take those pictures," said the woman angrily. "Why, they make me look like a fright!"

"Madam," said the suave photographer, "I see that you do not want a photograph, but a fancy picture. Just make your own selection from the showcase."—Chicago Post.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		8½	7
Standard		7	7½
Burlaps		6	6½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔		12½	13
Sides ℔ ℔		8	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔		8	8
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔		8½	8¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		8	8
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		1 40	1 40
New New York, each		1 40	1 50
New City, each		1 40	1 50
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		24	24
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M		6 75	7 00
Northern ℔ M		9 00	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔		18	20
Northern ℔ ℔		25	30
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks		51	52
Virginia Meal		51	52
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		1 25	1 25
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm		12	25
Adamantine		8	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory		12	13
Dairy Cream		13½	14
State		11½	13
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra		13	16
Rio		9½	11
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4 ℔ yard			5¼
Yarns ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s			70
EGGS—℔ dozen		10	11
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel		22 00	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl		11 00	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel		16 00	19 00
Mackerel, No. 2 half-bbl		9 00	10 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel		13 00	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel		3 75	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel			3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg		2 00	2 50
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔		5	10
" Extra		4 25	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade			3 00
Choice			3 50
Straight		3 85	4 00
First Patent		4 25	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔		10½	11½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White			55
Car-load, in bgs—White		53	53½
Oats, from store		32	40
Oats, Rust Proof			45
Cow Peas		80	90
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted			6½
Dry flint		10	12½
Dry salt			10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s		80	90
Clover Hay		40	50
Rice Straw		80	90
Eastern		90	1 00
Western		80	1 00
North River		80	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔		3½	3¾
LARD, ℔ ℔			
Northern		7	8½
North Carolina		8	10
LIME, ℔ barrel		1 15	1 35
LUMBER (city sawed), M M—			
Ship Stuff, resawed		18 00	20 00
Rough edge Plank		15 00	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality		13 00	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned		18 00	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n		14 00	15 00
Common mill		5 00	6 50
Fair mill		6 50	10 00
Prime mill		8 50	10 00
Extra mill		10 00	16 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead			35
Barbadoes, in barrels			38
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		26	28
Porto Rico, in barrels		28	30½
Sugar House, in hogsheads		12	14
Sugar House, in barrels		14	15
Syrup, in barrels		15	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis		2 95	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		11 75	13 00
Rump		11 50	12 00
Prime		11 00	11 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔		10	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum			1 05
Liverpool		90	1 00
American		85	90
On 100 ℔ Sacks			90
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M		5 00	5 50
Common		1 50	2 25
Cypress Saps		2 50	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd			5¾
Standard A			5½
White Extra C			4¾
Extra C, Golden			4½
C, Yellow			4¼
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern		3½	6
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel		5 00	14 00
R. O. Hogshead			10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M, Sea Shipping		9 00	10 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6x24 heart		7 50	8 50
" Sap		5 00	6 00
5x20 Heart		3 00	3 50
" Sap		2 00	2 50
6x24 Heart		5 00	5 50
" Sap		3 00	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔			6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern		1 00	1 00
North Carolina		1 00	1 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed		14	18
Mill, Prime		7 00	8 75
Mill, Fair		6 50	7 00
Common Mill		5 00	6 00
Inferior to ordinary		3 50	5 00

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, March 21.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.20 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady at $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.25 for dip, and —— for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 45@44½c; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar firm at $1.00; crude turpentine quiet at $1.85 @2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	4
Rosin	158
Tar	170
Crude turpentine	18

Receipts same day last year.—13 casks spirits turpentine, 735 bbls rosin, 95 bbls tar, 41 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 1-16 cts.	℔
Good ordinary	8 7-16	" "
Low middling	9 1-16	" "
Middling	9½	" "
Good middling	9¾	" "

Same day last year middling quiet at 6c.

Receipts—560 bales; same day last year, 31.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm, 53 to 53½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 85 cents; upland, 50@60 cents. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to $5.00, seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

LOCAL SECURITIES.

Quotations on local securities, furnished and regularly corrected by Hugh MacRae & Co:

STOCKS.

	BID.	ASKED.
A. C. L. of Conn., 5 per ct. Certs	119	119½
A. C. L. of Conn., stock	150	...
A. C. L. of S. C.	125	...
Wilmington & Weldon	175	...
W. & W. 7 per ct Certs	139	146
N. C. R. R.	157	160
Wilmington Compress Co.	10	...
Delgado Mills	105½	110
Wilmington Cotton Mills, pfd	110	115
Wilmington Gas Light Co.	70	74
Carolina Insurance Co.	107½	...
Underwriters' Insurance Co.	...	107½
National Bank of Wilmington	113	115
Atlantic National Bank	100	...
Murchison National Bank	113	...
Wil. Savings & Trust Co.	215	...
Wachovia Loan & Trust Co.	...	...
Bank of Lumberton	...	...
Henrietta Mills	200	225
Blue Ridge National Bank	112	113

BONDS.

N. C. 6's	106	108
N. C. 6's	...	140
City Wilm., con. 6's, gold, 1923	113	115
City Wilm., con. 5's, cur	100	...
City Wilm. 5's 1919	100	...
C. F. Wilm., 6's	101	105
Masonic Temple 1st 6's	100	...
Masonic Temple 6d 6's	...	100
Wilmington Compress Co.'s 8's	86	...
Wilmington & Weldon 6's	116	...
A. C. L. 4's	100	...
N. H. County 5's, gold, 1907	...	105½
City of Wilmington 4's, 1920	102	102½

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Money on call steady; actual transactions were at 3@5 per cent., last loan at 3. Prime mercantile paper 5@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485¼ for demand and 482 for sixty days. Posted rates 483@483½ and 486½@487. Commercial bills 481¼@482. Silver certificates 60¼@61¼. Bar silver 60. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds irregular. State bonds steady. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's (when issued) 104½; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 101; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 110; do. coupon, 110; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 134; do. coupon, 134; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 115½; do. coupon, 116½; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 114½; do. coupon, 114½; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 106; Southern R'y 5's 110¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 69¼; Chesapeake & Ohio 28¾; Manhattan L 96¾; New York Central 135½; Reading 18; do. 1st prefer'd 58¼; St. Paul 124¾; do. preferred 174; Southern Railway 13¾; do. preferred 59¼; American Tobacco, 108; do. preferred 135; People's Gas 100½; Sugar 106¾; do. preferred 109; T. C. & Iron 93¼; U. S. Leather 13; do. preferred 80; Western Union 83¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Rosin was quiet; strained common to good $1 47½. Spirits turpentine dull at 56@56½c.

CHARLESTON, March 21.—Spirits turpentine firm at 54c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels. Prices unchanged.

SAVANNAH, March 21.—Spirits turpentine firm at 53c; sales 36 casks; receipts 206 casks; exports 160 casks. Rosin firm; sales 3,501 barrels; receipts 938 barrels; exports 130 barrels. Quotations were: A, B, C, D, $1 45; E, $1 50, F, $1 55; G, $1 60; H, $1 80; I, $2 00; K, $2 25; M $2 50; N, $2 75, W G, $3 00, W W $3 30.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Bear speculation governed the cotton market to-day almost from the start and prices eased off to about the low point reached on Monday. The opening was steady with prices unchanged to five points lower. A rapid decline followed on late cables telling of steady losses in the Liverpool market under liquidations, and Southern crop accounts loomed up bearishly. The opening figures proved to be the top of the day, as, while there were several feeble rallies the feeling continued bearish and selling orders exceeded demand. Receipts were considerably in excess of early estimates. Southern markets showed no further gains of importance and the investment public manifested no further desire to re enter the market at the present standing of values. After noon fluctuations were of a see saw nature, though average against the market. Trading was not active and consisted principally of processional interchanges. The close was steady with near months nine to twelve points lower and new crop options one to six points lower.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Cotton quiet and steady; middling uplands 9¾c.

Cotton futures closed steady: March 9.42, April 9.40, May 9.40, June 9.30, July 9.33, August 9.20, September 8.37, October 8.05, November 7.94, December 7.94, January 7.94, February 7.94.

Spot cotton closed quiet and steady; middling uplands 9¾c; middling gulf 10¼c; sales 2,168 bales.

Net receipts 837 bales; gross receipts 3,564 bales; exports to Great Britain 735 bales; exports to the Continent 3,089 bales; exports to France 1,047 bales; stock 140,524 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 23,175 bales; exports to Great Britain 12,365 bales; exports to France 1,047 bales; exports to the Continent 3,089 bales; stock 956,510 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 82,686 bales; exports to Great Britain 39,561 bales; exports to France 23,769 bales; exports to the Continent 34,770 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,820,962 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,786,112 bales; exports to France 615,969 bales; exports to the Continent 1,985,321 bales.

March 21—Galveston, steady at 9¾c, net receipts 726 bales; Norfolk, nominal at 9 13 16c, net receipts 940 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9 15 16c, net receipts 8 15 16 bales; Boston, steady at 9¾, net receipts 713 bales; Wilmington, steady at 9¼c, net receipts 560 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 10¼, net receipts 33 bales; Savannah, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 2,800 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 9¾, net receipts 7,524 bales; Mobile, nominal at 9¼c, net receipts 6 bales; Memphis, steady at 9 7 16c, net receipts 225 bales; Augusta, steady at 9 11 16, net receipts 457 bales; Charleston, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 284 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Flour was moderately active and barely steady. Wheat—Spot easier; No. 2 red 76¾c; options opened steady and were inclined to improve throughout the forenoon on firm Paris cables, with reports of damage in France and crop complaints from our own country as well. The late market, however, was much weaker because of a bear raid presumably aimed at a New York party who is long of wheat. This was helped by report that Argentine shipments would be heavier in the near future. Closed weak at ¼c net decline. The sales included: March, closed 76¾c; May closed 72¾c; July closed 73c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 43¼c; options opened steady with wheat and was sustained by light country accept ances most of the day until near the close when it eased off on the break in wheat. Closed easy and unchanged. May closed 42¾c; July closed 42½c Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2, 28¼c; options quiet and barely steady. Lard steady; Western steam $6 37½; refined quiet. Tallow weak. Pork quiet. Butter firm; Western creamery 21@25c; State dairy 19@24c. Eggs firm; Southern 14½@15¾c at mark. Pork quiet. Potatoes steady; New Jersey $1 25 @1 75; New York $1 50@2 00; Long

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Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45A. M. Wadesboro 6:57 A. M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 9:52 A. M., Raleigh 11:15 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9:05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M. Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 5:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 403—Leaves Charlotte 8:10 A. M. Arrives Lincolton 9:22 A. M., Shelby 10:10 A. M., Ruther fordton 11:25 A. M.

Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:40 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:53 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:20 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 403—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 8:30 P. M. Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:10 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 3:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:35 A. M., Richmond 9:15 A. M. Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 3:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7:40 A. M.

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(Began business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$297,269 82
Stocks and bonds	5,135.00
U. S. bonds	113,000 00
Premium on U. S. bonds	9 600 00
Five per cent. redemption fund	2 700.00
Revenue stamps	868.00
Office furniture	75 .00
Cash on hand and in banks	227 946 06
Total	$656,768.88

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$400,000.00
Profits less expenses	20 072 27
Circulation	54.00 .00
Deposits	382 696 31
Total	$656 768.58

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A Remarkable Escape.

D. W. Krider of Wharton, O., a member of the Third regular artillery, who was shot 26 times in the Filipino outreak in February and who received the most terrible wounds in the Manila campaign, still survives. He was shot at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon, and, because he was thought to have been killed, was not treated by the surgeon until 9 o'clock that night. His escape from death on the field is one of the most remarkable on record.

Plaster of Ham For the Bug Kiss.

As soon as possible after having been "kissed" by a kissing bug place a large piece of ham fat upon the spot and let it remain there for some time. The patient will experience relief at once, but the ham fat should not be taken off just then, as the poison in the "kiss" must be drawn out. The fat accomplishes this in about half an hour.—Louisville Post.

MADE OVER GOWNS.

Present Styles Available in an Economical View.

The fashion of skirts of two different materials is establishing itself and is a most convenient one, as it allows of "making over" a gown so that it looks like new. There are several ways of making these skirts. There may be a circular or plaited flounce around the foot, with a tunic falling over it, or there may be a tablier, with a redingote effect, of different goods, or the skirt may be faced up from the foot with different material,—the top of the facing forming points or some other decorative design, outlined by passementerie.

An old bodice may be freshened by the addition of a yoke and sleeve caps or may be covered with stitched straps of satin or taffeta. Light silk bodices are

WALKING COSTUME.

often available as a lining under mousseline de soie or lace, while those of bright colored velvet can be cut over into the bolero form and veiled by applications of black or white guipure.

An illustration is given of a walking gown of almond green cloth. The skirt is finely embroidered with black and opens at the left side over a panel of guipure over almond green silk. The coat bodice has a short basque and fastens across the waist by a strap and fancy button. The bolero is short and forms sleeve caps also, being embroidered with black and fastened by two large buttons. The plastron is of guipure over almond green silk. The sleeves have corded tucks at the top. The accompanying hat is of green felt and is trimmed with black and white feathers.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

WINTER FASHIONS.

Costly Furs Occupy a Prominent Place.

Fur, which, it was predicted, would be very fashionable this winter, is already proving the truth of the prognostication. Entire costumes are made of it, and there are long redingotes and straight mantles of fur. Fur capes are more worn than ever, but to them are added flounces of lace, mousseline de soie or velvet. Otter, mink and astrakhan are among the most fashionable varieties, with, of course, sable.

As fine furs are so expensive a luxury as to be available only for the very few, ingenious manufacturers have invented several substitutes, among them a beaver

VELVET COSTUME.

silk and wool plush closely imitating the fur of the otter. This is used for long and short jackets, sacks, boleros and mantles. All forms of wraps are employed, no variety being now excluded from favor.

The cut shows a gown of purple velvet. The princess tunic is embroidered with silver spangles and bordered with sable and is draped at the left side by a velvet bow and silver buckle, the lower skirt being plain, with a band of fur around the foot. The crossed bodice is embroidered and edged with fur, opening over a plastron of purple velvet. The tight sleeves are embroidered and bordered at the wrists with fur. A directoire hat of purple velvet accompanies the gown. A puffing of pink tulle is placed under the brim, and a scarf of the tulle encircles the crown, forming a large bow under the chin. Pink ostrich plumes form the remainder of the trimming.

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There is no singer in the world who can draw more than a $12,000 house. There is no orator who can much raise the $1 admission fee without exposing himself to the danger of speaking to empty benches. If the four most popular debaters selected by popular vote would advertise a discussion on any question of the day, they would be fortunate if an audience could be gathered which would net each $1,000. Yet it is stated that there was $80,000 in the box office of the Coney Island clubhouse on the night when Robert Fitzsimmons and James Jeffries met to see which could punch the other the harder and which could stand the most punishment. The best of any class of performers always represents a money value, but the best fighter carries off the largest prize.

An Old Hitching Post.

McDonough has perhaps the oldest hitching post in Georgia. It is on the northwest corner of the square, in front of the McDonough hotel, where it has been standing about 75 years. Mr. Cam Turner says he has personally known of its existence 45 years and that from its history it is at least 75 or 80 years old. It is of solid fat pine and was used for a very tall lamppost when the hotel was one of the first in this section of Georgia, but was years ago cut down to its present height. Truly may it be classed as one of the relics of Georgia's early history.—McDonough (Ga.) Weekly

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A Farm of 250 acres four miles from Greenville, one mile from House station on the Atlantic Coast Line. One hundred and eighty-five acres cleared and in fine state of cultivation One nice two-story dwelling with six rooms. One cook room and kitchen. One office. One set two-story stables with eight stalls. Two barns. Two tobacco barns. One 16-horse power engine, gin house, gin, press, etc. All necessary machinery attached. All kinds of farming implements, including wagons, carts, tools, etc. Also, four mules and one horse. Will sell all together or the land separate.

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A desirable building lot in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-fourth of an acre, fronting railroad, and it is a corner lot.

Farm at Burgaw.

A desirable farm at Burgaw. The residence and about one-third of the farm within the corporate limits of the town. About twenty acres cleared; six acres in strawberries; one acre in fruit trees and grape vines. All necessary outbuildings. A nice desirable six-room residence. Farm contains 100 acres.

Tobacco and Truck Farm

Containing 365 acres, four miles from Magnolia, N. C., in the great truck belt. About seventy acres cleared; thirty acres of black branch land well drained with open fallow pine. Fine meadow land and best range for hogs, sheep and cattle. Five-room dwelling, with barn, stables and other out-houses. Nearly a half-acre in prolific grape vines. Lot of apple and plum trees. Beautiful oak and hickory grove surrounds dwelling. Good water. Admirably adapted to tobacco culture, and now has eight acres in cultivation. Also, two tobacco barns. Fences and ditches in good condition.

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A desirable farm of one hundred and fifty acres. Fifty acres is within the corporate limits of the town of Burgaw, N. C. Twenty two acres cleared. There is one nice, new three-room cottage, painted and plastered. Large stables and barns. A tenant's house, and strawberry packing house. A well of very fine drinking water. A nice orchard of 500 young fruit trees, consisting of Japan plums, peaches, pears, apples and figs.

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A desirable farm of 272 acres, three miles east of Rose Hill. Fifty acres cleared and in good state of cultivation, balance well timbered. Four-room house on premises. In good neighborhood. Will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington

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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11.29 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.35 P. M., Petersburg 6.18 P. M., Richmond 7.25 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.08 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.58 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.32 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.55 A. M. New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday; 2.25 P. M. — No. 90—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.10 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.36 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.37 P. M., Columbia 10.30 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.30 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M — No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston *1.00 P. M., New York *2.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.30 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.23 P. M., Magnolia 4.43 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.45 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6.48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 8.55 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.35 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.25 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 7.15 A. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.03 A. M

EAST BOUND.

DAILY except Sunday; 6.40 A. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 6.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9.58 A. M. Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M. Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.05 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.05 P. M. Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.35 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 9.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10.00 A. M. 2.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M. 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 8.50 P. M

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.56 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 8.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.15 P. M., Manning 8.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 9.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.56 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 5.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.08 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 5.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.30 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9 15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.05 P. M. arrive Selma 2.45 P. M. 11.10 P. M. Smithfield 3.08 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.35 P. M. 12.17 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M., Fayetteville 12.30 P. M., 9.55 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.35 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 5.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.08 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Luck now 4.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 5.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST		STATIONS.	GOING WEST.	
3 Pass'g'r Trains			4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston	10 19	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 27	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 52	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 6.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilming ton and intermediate points.

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$1.10 Black Crepons for	98c
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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 22.

WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER.

Contested Election Cases--Bills Introduced by Representative Bellamy and Senator Butler.

[Special Star Correspondence.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 20.

The Pearson-Crawford contested election case which is on the House calendar and is privileged, may be called up at any time. Representative Roberts, chairman of the sub-committee having the matter in charge, to-day speaking of the matter, said "owing to the party leader's desire to first take up and pass the several appropriation bills and other bills of more importance, I do not expect to call up the Pearson-Crawford case before week after next, but of course, circumstances may alter the case."

Representative Thomas has presented to the House the petition of S. E. Adams and others against the passage of the Loud postal bill.

The STAR'S representative to-day interviewed the Democratic members of the North Carolina delegation on the Gubernatorial situation and found them all, to a man, for Colonel Aycock, who they said would be nominated by acclamation and certainly elected.

[Special Star Telegram.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Senator Butler to-day introduced a bill appropriating and disbursing the court martial forfeiture moneys collected from volunteer soldiers during the Spanish war for the benefit of indigent soldiers.

Representative Bellamy to-day introduced a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to pay to Thomas McBride, Robeson county, N. C., $200 for material seized by Union troops during the civil war.

Representative Kluttz to-day reported his daughter's condition as being not as favorable as yesterday.

There is no truth whatever in the report sent out from here last night that the committee having in charge the Doekery-Bellamy case had decided to re-open the case. The committee has not held a meeting for a week. Chairman Weaver is out of the city as well as several other members of the committee.

Senator Pritchard to day secured from the department an order placing J. D. Albright, of Wilmington, on the railway mail route between Wilmington and Mount Airy.

James Loyd, of Tarboro, who was appointed a door keeper of the Senate by Senator Butler, has received notice of his retirement, to take effect April 1st.

Senator Pritchard leaves Friday for Western North Carolina, to make a series of speeches, opening at Jefferson.

SWITZERLAND'S REPLY.

To the Boers' Appeal for Mediation in the South Africa War.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BERNE, SWITZERLAND, March 21.—The Federal Council has answered the Boer appeal for mediation as follows:

"The Swiss Federal Council would have been pleased to co-operate in friendly mediation in order to end further bloodshed, but as the Presidents of both South African republics have directly approached the British government in order to conclude peace on a basis indicated and the British government has shown itself against the proposal; and as, furthermore, the British government has declared to the cabinet at Washington that it did not propose to accept the intervention of any power, the Swiss Federal Council, to its regret, must also renounce the idea of taking any steps on the lines of the request made by the Presidents of the South African republics. There remains for the Federal Council, in the circumstances, nothing but to express its sincere wish that the belligerents will have succeeded, at no distant date, in finding a basis for an understanding honorable to both parties."

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice March 21st, 1900.

WOMEN'S LIST.

H Brown, Rena Brown, Susan Collins, Eva Davis, Mary Debern, Sarah Eavan, Ada Flemming, Josephine Farror, Borma Howard, Mamie Hatch, Leonard T Harriss, Lissie Holden, Laurena Lane, Essie Moore, Annie M Porter, Sarah Simmons, Mollie Smith, E P Stanley, Alice Thar, Maria Toomer, Mary Taylor, Lannie Walker, Lizzie Wells, Janie Williams, Josephine Worthington, Jane Williams, Deller Walker.

MEN'S LIST.

Stephen Anderson, Benjamin Bure, D F Bowen, F M Bishop, Wm Brown, W C Blackwell, Charles B Cox, S J Edward, John Handley, Geo Howard, Geo Jordan, Foebersey Johnson, F J May (col), Heigh McNeill, Hennie McNeill, Charles Robinson, John Roberson, R. R. Robinson & Co., Wm Scott (col), S J Singer, R C Shepard, George Saunders, R F Thomas, W. R. Wicks, John Welker, J R Williams J W White, J H Williams (2), H V Webb, G W White, R Zetterberg.

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Charles Anderson, John C Farmian, H. J. Lane.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead letter office. M. C. DARBY, Postmaster.

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Removes everything in sight; so do drastic mineral pills, but both are mighty dangerous. Don't dynamite the delicate machinery of your body with calomel, croton oil or aloes pills, when Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are gentle as a summer breeze, do the work perfectly. Cures Headache, Constipation. Only 25 cents at by R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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MINING FOR GOLD IN THE SEA'S BED.

Illegal Concessions Alleged to Have Been Granted by the Secretary of War.

NEAR CAPE NOME, ALASKA.

A Resolution of Inquiry Adopted by the Senate—The Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Bill Passed—Loud Postal Bill in the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Upon the authority of the Governor of Alaska, Mr. Turner, Washington, made the statement in the Senate to-day, that concessions for gold mining in the bed of the sea near Cape Nome, Alaska, had been granted by the Secretary of War, and upon that statement he based a resolution of inquiry. Senator Turner said if such a grant had been made it was "a shame, a reproach and a scandal." The resolution was agreed to.

In a few minutes and without discussion the additional Urgent Deficiency bill was passed with one or two other measures of importance.

Mr. Allison gave notice that he would call up to-morrow the conference report on the Porto Rican appropriation bill.

Mr. Turner's resolution directed the Secretary of War to inform the Senate whether any concessions to excavate the gold-bearing bed in the sea in the vicinity of Cape Nome, Alaska, or in other Alaskan waters, have been made to any individual or corporation or association by the Secretary or any other War Department official, and if so upon what theory such grant was made.

"The Secretary of War," said Mr. Turner, "has jurisdiction over the navigable waters in the rivers and harbors of the United States, and at various times has given to private individuals authority to excavate the bed of such waters for proper purposes. Now if this authority has been stretched to cover such a concession as that mentioned in the resolution, it is a shame, a reproach and a scandal."

Mr. Wolcott, Colorado, said that in view of this extraordinary statement the Secretary of War would be anxious to answer any proper inquiry touching it. If such a concession had been granted it was clearly a violation of the law. Senator Carter said it carteinly could not be in contemplation of the Secretary of War to give mining leases without a semblance of law. "I think the resolution should be adopted," said Senator Carter, "as I'm satisfied the response will show the secretary has not arrogated to himself such power."

The resolutions were agreed to.

Senator Pettigrew offered and secured the passage of a resolution directing the Secretary of War to inform the Senate what were the qualifications of voters in the approaching elections in Cuba, who prescribed the qualifications, the purpose of the election and who would have charge of it.

Senator Hale called up the measure making appropriations to supply additional urgent deficiencies. The committee amendments thereto were agreed to and the bill was passed without comment.

A bill to authorize the judges of the district courts of the United States to appoint stenographic reporters and determine the duties and compensation of such reporters was passed.

The bill provides for the appointment of ninety court reporters in the United States at a salary of $2 000 each, extra pay being provided for extra manuscripts of court proceedings supplied.

The bill to provide a civil code for the district of Alaska was then taken up for consideration. The committee amendments were agreed to. After some other minor amendments the bill was laid aside and the Porto Rico bill taken up. The bill, after some discussion of the creation of a United States court on the island, was laid aside.

The Senate agreed to the conference asked for by the House on the Legislative Appropriation bill and Messrs. Cullom, Sewell and Teller were appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate.

The Senate then at 3 o'clock went into executive session and two hours later adjourned.

House of Representatives.

During the debate in the House today upon the Loud bill, relating to second class mail matter, there was a sharp exchange between Mr. McPherson, Republican, Iowa, and Mr. Lentz, Democrat, Iowa, over a charge made by the former that the latter was the attorney of the lobby which is fighting the bill; but otherwise the debate was without incident. Both sides believe the vote to-morrow will be close.

Mr. Loud has agreed to accept two amendments, one to increase the number of sample copies which newspapers can send out at second class rates from five hundred to two thousand, and the other to limit the provision requiring newspapers to separate their mail to those having in excess of five thousand circulation. These are all the concessions he will make. He says the debate has strengthened the bill and he believes it will pass.

Mr. Dalzell, Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Rules, presented a report from that committee for the appointment of a special committee of nine to consider all proposed legislation relative to the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the purchase of the Louisiana territory at St. Louis in 1903 The speaker appointed the following committee: Messrs. Tawney, Minnesota; Steele, Indiana; Sherman, New York; Joy, Missouri; Corliss, Michigan; Burke, South Dakota, Republicans, and Messrs. Williams, Mississippi; Bartlett, Georgia, and Otey, Virginia, Democrats.

The Senate amendments to the Urgent Deficiency Appropriation bill were non-concurred in, and the bill sent to conference. Messrs. Cannon, Barney and Pearce were appointed conferees.

At 5 o'clock the House adjourned.

MEDICAL OFFICERS.

An Additional Detachment to Be Sent to the Philippines.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Arrangements have been made to send an additional detachment of medical officers to San Francisco with a view to their transportation to Manila, for the relief of a similar number of medical officers in the Philippines desirous of returning to the United States. Among the acting assistant surgeons ordered to San Francisco from their present stations are Randell C. Stoney, Charleston, S. C., and Josiah W. Ward, Newbern, N. C.

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DEWEY IN SAVANNAH.

Military Parade and Review--Fifty Thousand People—Silver Vase Presented the Admiral—A Banquet.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., March 21.—Fifty thousand persons on the streets here this afternoon gave Admiral George Dewey as enthusiastic welcome as was ever accorded to any public man anywhere. The Admiral had recovered from his indisposition of yesterday sufficiently for him to take part in the military parade and review arranged in his honor, and as he rode through the streets with Mrs. Dewey at his side, ringing cheers rent the air and waving colors made the scene one to be long remembered.

There were present and in the parade five military companies from Charleston under command of--Major H. Schachte; one or more companies of naval reserves from Charleston, Mt. Pleasant and Beaufort, S. C., and Brunswick, Ga., and military organizations from Columbia, Pelzer and Timmonsville, S. C., and Augusta, Brunswick and Thomasville, Ga. There were in all seventeen out of town organizations. Adding the local militia, there were nearly 4,000 men in line. The review took place in the Park extension, where an admiral's salute was fired by the Chatham Artillery from brass pieces presented to the organization by President George Washington. Business, public and private, was suspended from noon in honor of Admiral Dewey.

The climax of the occasion occurred at the banquet at the DeSoto hotel to-night, where the admiral was presented with a beautiful silver vase on behalf of the city of Savannah by Hon. F. G. Dubignon. The vase is elegantly engraved and stands nearly three feet high on a marble base. At the banquet table General Nelson A. Miles, who arrived in the city this evening too late for the military feature, sat next to Admiral Dewey. While the main function was in progress a committee of fifty ladies entertained Mrs. Dewey at a banquet in an annex adjoining the banquet hall. Upon the conclusion of the dinner, the ladies were accommodated with chairs in the main room that they might hear the speeches. Among the speakers were Judge Emery Speer of the United States court, Surgeon General Wyman, Congressman Brantley of Georgia, ex-Attorney General W. O. Smith, of Hawaii, and others.

GEN. OTIS' CAMPAIGN.

The Mortality Among U. S. Soldiers Since the Occupation by American Troops June 1st, 1898.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The War Department officials deny recently published statements that General Otis' campaign is costing upward of 1,000 men every month. According to the official records, since the American occupation of the Philippines, June 1st, 1898, up to February 17th, 1900, the date of the last official compilation, the actual mortality in the army in the Philippines was 65 officers and 1,460 men; a total of 1,525, or at the rate of 74 deaths a month.

More details are contained in the report of Colonel Woodhull, chief surgeon of the Philippine army. This report, however, does not extend beyond the end of the last calendar year. It shows that from the time American troops landed in Manila up to December 1st, 1899, the total number of deaths was 58 officers and 1,263 men. Of this number 42 officers and 57 men died of violence, and sixteen officers and 693 men died of disease. Most of the deaths by violence occurred in battle. There were, however, 137 deaths from violence outside of actual hostilities. It is a singular fact that more than one half of the latter class of deaths were caused by drowning. The total number of wounded without fatal results during the period covered by the report was 1,767.

WARM WIRELETS.

Cecil Rhodes sailed from Cape Town for England yesterday.

A Richmond dispatch says Dr. Hunter McGuire's condition was practically unchanged last night.

At a public meeting held in Limerick a resolution to present an address to the Queen during her visit to Ireland was enthusiastically adopted.

The Tucker Carter Rope Company, of New York, which operates a plant in Stanley county, N. C., has decided to increase it by the erection of a cotton mill.

The North Dublin district council defeated a motion in favor of the presentation of an address to Queen Victoria on her forthcoming visit to Ireland.

A Berlin dispatch says that the American warship sent to Taku, China, is intended to participate in an eventual joint naval demonstration should China persist in her refusal to suppress the sects hostile to Christians.

Jacob Lorillard, formerly a brick manufacturer and son of Peter Lorillard, the millionaire tobacco man from whom he inherited $1,500,000 besides bequests of nearly a million more, filed a petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities $867.327; assets $300.

The House Committee on Foreign Affairs has decided to investigate the allegations made by Charles F. Macrum, ex consul to Pretoria, South Africa, relative to the opening of his official mail by the British authorities.

Beck Olsen, of Copenhagen, met Ernest Roeber, the heavy weight champion wrestler of America, at Madison Square Garden last night, in a Graeco Roman match for the world's championship, and Olsen was declared the victor.

Ex Governor Oates publishes a letter withdrawing from the race for United States Senator, thus leaving the contest beswen Morgan and Johnston. General Oates says he cannot imperil Morgan's election by remaining in the field.

Secretary Hay and Ambassador Cambon yesterday signed a protocol extending the time allowed for the ratification of the French reciprocity treaty. By the terms of the protocol the treaty is to be ratified "as soon as possible, and within twelve months from date."

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MOVEMENTS OF LORD METHUEN.

Believed to Be Gathering a Force of 20,000 Men to Strike Into the Transvaal.

MAFEKING STILL BESIEGED.

General Gatacre Sweeping Through the Country Like a Cyclone--Boers Hold Positions in the Free State—Hard Fighting is Ahead.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 21, 4:25 A. M.—Several telegrams have passed between President Kruger and the British government, in addition to the Salisbury-Kruger correspondence already published. The Foreign Office received a dispatch from Pretoria yesterday. The contents of these communications cannot yet be obtained.

So far as the military position is concerned there is no practical change. As necessary to a beginning, Generals Gatacre and Brabant are swiftly moving from point to point in the southern districts of the Free State, dispersing or accepting the surrender of any remaining Boers, thus ensuring the safety of Lord Roberts' communications before starting to ward Pretoria.

A correspondent of the *Daily News* at Springfontein, describing these movements, says. "Gen. Gatacre is sweeping through the country like a cyclone, with flying columns in all directions. His swiftness and strategy have proved of inestimable value to Lord Roberts."

The rebuilding of the railway bridge at Norval's Pont will occupy two months. The temporary bridge will be completed in about ten days. Meanwhile, supplies are transported in an aerial tramway across the gap. These works necessarily delay the providing of supplies for the advance.

Lord Methuen's movements north of Kimberley are believed to be a prelude to the gathering of a column of 20,000 men, with Kimberley as a base, to strike eastward from Fourteen Streams into the Transvaal. The long and anxiously awaited news of the relief of Mafeking has not yet been received.

Mr. Schreiner, the Cape premier, has granted the request of the mayor of Cape Town that a public holiday be proclaimed throughout the colony on the relief of Mafeking.

Desultory Fighting.

LONDON, March 21.—At Warrenton, north of Kimberley, desultory fighting occurred all Sunday, resulting in the retreat of the Boers towards Christiana under shell fire. The progress of this column towards Mafeking has either almost ceased or is forbidden to be mentioned in dispatches. Mafeking apparently still awaits relief.

The Pretoria account of the skirmish at Fourteen Streams, March 16th, says that a Boer command was preparing to destroy a railroad bridge and that the engagement lasted half an hour, with the result that one bugler was slightly wounded.

The second edition of the *Times* today publishes a dispatch from Bloemfontein, dated Monday, March 19th, which says: "The blowing up of bridges by the Boers is an evident sign that the Transvaalers intend to abandon the defence of the Free State."

All is quiet in the south and west. A corps of young Boers from the farms surrounding Bloemfontein, under an imperial officer, has been detailed for police work and to prevent the further looting of abandoned farms by the Kaffirs.

It is said that when President Kruger left Bloemfontein after his recent visit there, President Steyn's parting remark was: "Mind the British do not catch you, or you will get better quarters at St Helena than I"

Boers Still Hold Position.

The Boers at Aliwalnorth are reported to be still holding a position in the big hills on the Free State side. From a Pretoria dispatch it appears some misunderstanding regarding Lord Salisbury's reply to America's offer of mediation exists there. It had been quoted to the effect that Lord Salisbury said he could accept the intervention of no other power, which leads to the belief that American representations would be listened to in the final settlement.

Free Staters Surrendering.

MASERU, BASUTOLAND, March 21.—The proclamation of Lord Roberts is apparently effective, as the Free Staters are surrendering to the Basutoland officials. The occupation by the British has produced an excellent impression, convincing the Basutos that the authority of the Queen is paramount.

Says Fighting Will be Desperate.

LONDON, March 21—A dispatch from Pretoria, dated Monday, March 19, says: President Kruger returned from Kroonstadt yesterday. He says the fight in the Free State will be desperate.

More Negotiations.

The Cape Town correspondent of the *Daily Mail*, telegraphing Tuesday, March 20, says: "I have just arrived from Bloemfontein, where I learned that no further movement is probable for three weeks, as negotiations are proceeding. I failed to ascertain the nature of the negotiations, or whether Sir Alfred Milner's departure from Cape Town is connected with them, but I should not be surprised if the war collapsed quickly."

SEABOARD AIR LINE.

Special Masters Appointed to Take Evidence in the Injunction Proceedings.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, Va., March 21.—Judge Waddill to-day appointed Hon. Geo. E. Bowden clerk of the court, and Hon. R. T. Thorp special masters to take evidence in the injunction proceedings of Thomas F. Ryan, of New York, against John Skelton Williams, et al.

It will be remembered that Judge Waddill sometime since refused to restrain the defendants from proceeding with the consolidation of other roads with the Seaboard Air Line system, and the testimony to be taken by the special masters, who will require about sixty days to complete their work, and are empowered to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, etc., will be used in rendering a final decision upon the supplemental and amended bill of the plaintiff, which disputes the legality of the consolidation.

Thirty persons were injured by the falling of a freight elevator in a building at Chicago, where the victims of the accident were employed by the Blakeley Printing Company. None of the injuries was fatal.

Read the advertisement of the East Carolina Real Estate Agency in this issue of the STAR. It offers for sale some very valuable farms. †

TRANSVAAL AND FREE STATE

Scheme Arranged for Amalgamation of the Two Republics—Kruger to Be the President.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 22.—The correspondent of the *Times* at Lorenzo Marques, telegraphing Tuesday, says:

It is reported from Pretoria that a scheme has been arranged for the amalgamation of the Transvaal and the Free State President Kruger will become President of the federated States and Steyn commandant general of the Boer army. The flag will be the same as that of the Transvaal, with an additional orange color.

Although this story is not confirmed, it is not improbable. It is a notorious fact that General Joubert has lost the confidence of the Burghers simply because from the first he refused to shut his eyes to the inevitable result of the war. With all the burghers in the field, it might not be difficult to secure a formal endorsement of this rumored scheme.

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Pupils should make the greatest advancement in this the last quarter; but parents must not expect much unless the children have a prop-rly timed and regulated instrument upon which to practice. Send postal or call and we'll "do the rest." John G. Russell, corner Fourth and Grace streets. Bell 'Phone 198. mar 13 tf

A Few Photograph Hints—When you want the best Photograph there is made for the least money come to us We are leading the way in low prices and best work. We are giving a handsome prize with every dozen of our best Photos. The present we speak of is something worth money so you ask't costs you nothing. Take the hint? Come and see at the Star Studio, 116 Market street. P. S.—The Southern Photo Co is with us for a short time—making twelve Photos for 15 cents.

The Copartnership heretofore existing between A. P. Yopp and H. H. Helm, conducting a bicycle business under name of Yopp & Helm, has this day been dissolved by mutual agreement, H. H. Helm purchasing the entire business and will hereafter conduct the same at the stand No 209 Market street A. P. Yopp, H. H. Helm January 19th, 1900. fe 21 1m

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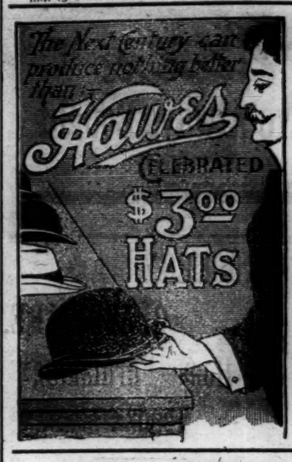

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The National Bank of Wilmington was organized in June, 1894; has paid out $24,00 in dividends and passed $19,000.00 to surplus. Eighth dividend now payable.

Capital and Surplus, $119,000 00.
Total Assets, - - - - 525,000.00.

In addition to the above it is worthy of note that we own $117,500 00 in U. S. and other bonds, which we carry at par—all of which are at a handsome premium.

Your Account Respectfully Solicited. Absolute Safety Assured. Polite and courteous attention extended to our customers.

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